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Takemori TAKAYAMA et al. : **Confirmation No. 4545**
Serial No. 10/563,437 : Group Art Unit 1793
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AND CONNECTING DEVICE : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of July 16, 2009, the period for response having been extended for three months by the attached petition, please amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows: